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Status							
1)⊠	1) Responsive to communication(s) filed on 14 January 2005.						
2a)	)☐ This action is FINAL. 2b)☒ This action is non-final.						
3)	Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under <i>Ex parte Quayle</i> , 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.						
Disposition of Claims							
<ul> <li>4)  Claim(s) 1-25 is/are pending in the application.</li> <li>4a) Of the above claim(s) 2,3 and 18 is/are withdrawn from consideration.</li> <li>5)  Claim(s) 10-14 is/are allowed.</li> <li>6)  Claim(s) 1,4,5,9,15,17 and 22 is/are rejected.</li> <li>7)  Claim(s) 6-8, 16, 19-21 and 23-25 is/are objected to.</li> <li>8)  Claim(s) are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.</li> </ul>							
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9)[	The specification is objected to by the Examine	er.					
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Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119							
<ul> <li>12) Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).</li> <li>a) All b) Some * c) None of:</li> <li>1. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.</li> <li>2. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No</li> <li>3. Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).</li> <li>* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.</li> </ul>							
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#### **DETAILED ACTION**

# Response to Amendment

1. Applicant's arguments with respect to claims 1-25 have been fully considered but are most in view of the new ground(s) of rejection.

Claims 2-3 and 18 had been canceled.

## Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

- 2. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:
  - (a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negatived by the manner in which the invention was made.
- 3. Claims 1, 4-5, 9, 15, 17 and 22 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over US patent No. 6,697,354 ("Borella et al.") in view of US patent 6,738,362 ("Xu et al.").

Regarding claims 1, 4-5, 15, 17 and 22, Borella et al. teach a system and method for facilitating intra-domain mobility (See Fig. 15) comprising the steps and means of providing a home subnet (212 as a first network) that includes a home agent (208 as first agent) including the home network address (location information) on the home subnet (212) about a mobile node (210) (See Fig. 15, Col 19, lines 62-64),

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providing a foreign network that includes two or more sub networks (foreign subnet 218 and foreign subnets other than foreign subnet 218) and a foreign agent (216 as second agent) (See Fig. 15, Col 20, lines 65-67), and

registering the mobile node (210) with the foreign agent (216) (See Fig. 15, Col 19, line 64 to Col 20, line 3), such that

the mobile node (210) can roam from any of the sub network (218) to another sub network without communicating to the home agent (208 as first agent) information about the transition and without communicating to the foreign agent (216 as second agent) information about a security association between the mobile node (210) and home agent (208 as first agent) (See Fig. 16, Col 20, lines 65-67).

Borella et al. teach substantially all the claimed invention but did not disclose expressly the particular application involving limitations of

"the first agent includes a globally accessible redirection agent" and "providing a second network includes providing at least two second agents".

Xu et al. teach a Mobile IP networking with Home agents (18) and Foreign agents (16) where the first agent (Home agent 18) includes a globally accessible redirection home agent (HRA 18A) and Home tunneling agent (18B) (See Fig. 4, Col. 6, lines 10-25) and providing a second network (16) by providing at least two second tunneling agents (FTA 16A, 16C) and a third tunneling agent (16D FTA) (See Fig. 4, Col. 8, line 61 - Col. 9, line 2).

A person of ordinary skill in the art would have been motivated to employ Xu et al. in Borella et al. in order to obtain a practical wireless communication systems and

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methods for enhancement by exploiting the spatial domain and to take advantage of providing globally accessible redirection home agent (HRA) and at least two second foreign agents (FTA) in claims 1 and 15.

The suggestion/motivation to do so would have been to provide globally accessible redirection home agent (HRA) and at least two second foreign agents (FTA), as suggested by Xu et al. in Col. 6, lines 10-25 and Col. 8, line 61 - Col. 9, line 2. At the time the invention was made, therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art to which the invention pertains to combine Xu et al. with the Borella et al. to obtain the inventions specified in claims 1 and 15.

Regarding claim 9, this claim have limitation that is similar to those of claim 1, thus it is rejected with the same rationale applied against claim 1 above.

### Allowable Subject Matter

- 4. Claim 10-14 are allowed.
- 5. Claim 6-8, 16, 19-21 and 23-25 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims and if no art rejection can be applied.

#### Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance

6. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

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The prior art along or in combination fails to teach or make obvious the following limitations:

"providing by the mobile node the globally reachable GCOA to the first agent" as recited in the *independent claim 10, and* 

"receiving in the first network communication addressed to the mobile node; intercepting the communication by the first agent; forwarding, at the first agent, the communication to the globally reachable GCOA; intercepting of the communication by the second agent; and forwarding, at the second agent, the communication to the mobile node" as recited in the *independent claim 12*.

#### Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Richard Chang whose telephone number is (571) 272-3129. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday - Friday from 8 AM to 5 PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Ricky Ngo can be reached on (571) 272-3139. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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